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LOK SABHA

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ENFORCEMENT OF WILDLIFE PROTECTION LAWS
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether 21-member Wildlife Protection Committee was proposed to be constituted some time back;

(b) if so, the details alongwith present status thereof;

(c) the details of actions taken for strengthening enforcement of wildlife protection laws and prosecution of violators since 1990-91; and

(d) the number of violators apprehended during the period and number of conviction achieved in the courts?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The Central Bureau of Investigation has been authorized to carry out seizures and prosecute the offenders involved in wildlife crimes. The financial allocation for strengthening the enforcement of wildlife laws and protection of Protected Areas has been enhanced since 1990. Under various Centrally Sponsored Schemes, technical and financial assistance are being provided to the States for effective communication, infrastructure development and defending legal cases.

(d) The information regarding number of violators apprehended and convictions achieved in the courts are maintained at the level of Governments of States and UTs.